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Attached is the following:

Amendment 16 pp.

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Amendment in Response to Rejection

Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2004, please amend the above identified application as follows.

No fee is believed to be due, but if there is a fee due please charge it to deposit account 19-2179.

In the Specification:

Replace paragraph on lines 5-9 of page 2 of Application with,

Another known system offered by Seebeyond.com and described at its

web site employs a mapping system that involves a centralized mapping database and

does not support access to additional remote external mapping databases thereby

limiting the scope, flexibility and use of the mapping system.

Replace page 14 lines 6-11 of the Application with,

Extensible Markup Language (XML) – an Internet standard maintained by the World Wide Web Consortium used to encode structured data passed between computer systems.

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<u>Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP) – an Internet standard submitted to the World Wide Web Consortium for using XML to invoke remote procedure calls.</u>

<u>Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) – this is the public Internet standard maintained by the Internet Engineering Task Force for networking computer systems.</u>

In the Claims:

Amend claims 1, 4, 7, 11 and 14-19 as attached by deleting the material identified by a strikethrough marking and by adding the underscored material.